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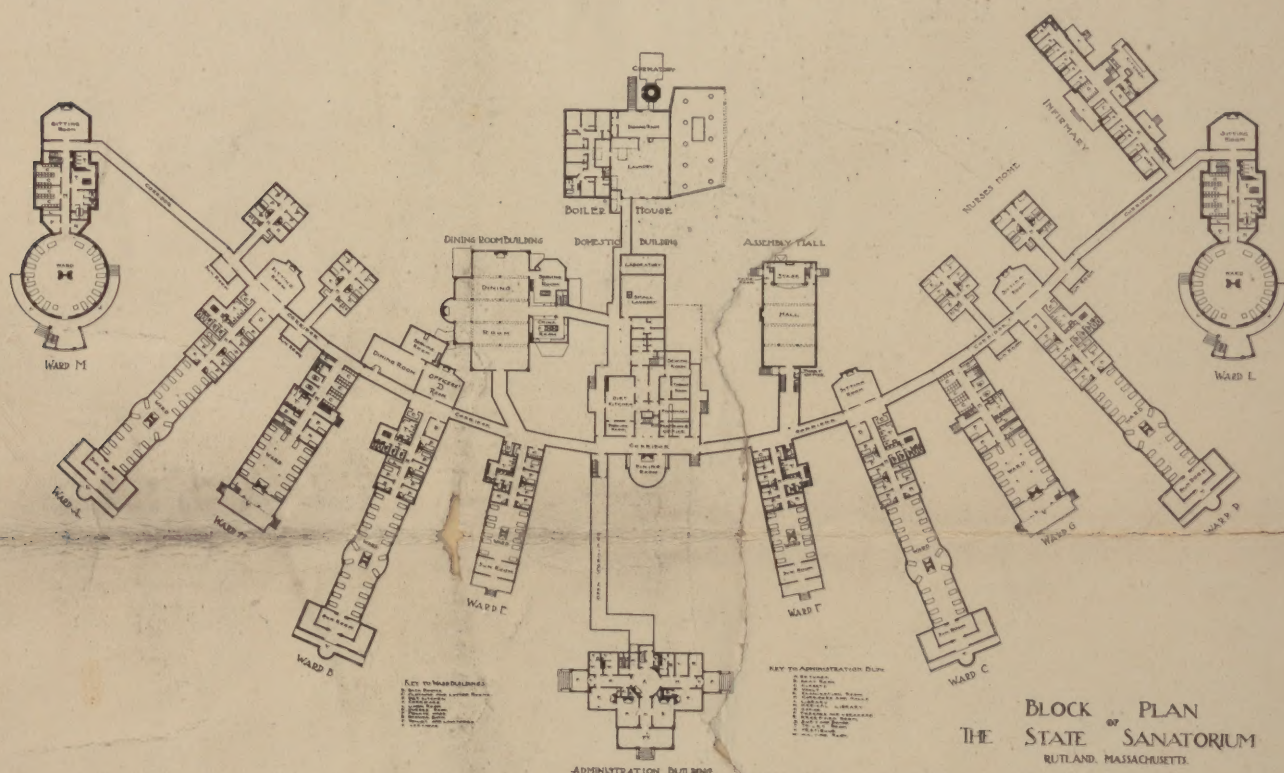
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LOCATION: RUTLAND, WORCESTER COUNTY, MASS. ELEVATION, 1150 FEET



THE Massachusetts State Sanatorium was the first State Sanatorium established in America for the curative treatment of early cases of tuberculosis among the working classes. It was opened for the reception of patients October 1, 1898. It is built on the pavilion plan and now accommodates three hundred and fifty patients. Residents of Massachusetts only are admitted, preference being given to citizens of the United States.

The charge for board and treatment is uniform at the rate of four dollars (\$4.00) per week. No private patients are received. The Sanatorium is maintained by annual appropriations from the State Legislature. The average annual per capita cost of maintenance has been \$9.36 per week.

The following results were obtained in 4,311 considered cases treated previous to December 1, 1907 :

Apparently cured and arrested, 51.05%.
Improved, 40%.
Not improved, 8.95%.

Average age, 28 years.
Average length of residence, 5 months, 12 days.

The following statistics have been obtained bearing upon the subsequent history of these patients up to September 1, 1908 :

Able to work, 1,515. Not able
Dead, 1,152. No report
Per cent able to work, 35.1; not able, 3.4; untraced, 2.7